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OF BUDGET SECTION S 8 (ECLA) AND 10 (ECWA)

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1. SUMMARY: AT ITS 1730TH MEETING ON OCTOBER 23, FIFTH COMMITTEE APPROVED IN FIRST READING APPROPRIATION OF $17,995,600 FOR SECTION 8 (ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA) BY VOTE OF 83-0-8 (US, SOVIET BLOC). COMMITTEE ALSO APPROVED $8,861,600 FOR SECTION 10 (ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR WESTERN ASIA) BY VOTE OF 83-1 (IARAEL)-10 (US, SOVIET BLOC). STATEMENTS WERE MADE BY REPS OF FRG, FRANCE, INDIA, PHILIPPINES, AND US (STOTTLEMYER) ON UNIDO AUTONOMY, TO WHICH CONTROLLER DEBATIN RESPONDED. DEBATE WAS ADJOURNED. COMMITTEE HEARD STATEMENTS BY REPS OF ALGERIA AND UK ON EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY BETWEEN GENEVA AND UN, TO WHICH ASST DIRECTOR GENERAL OF GENEVA OFFICE, COIDAN, REPLIED; AND DEBATE WAS SUSPENDED UNTIL NEXT MEETING. TWO MEETINS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 24, MORNING AND AFTERNOON. AGENDA WILL INCLUDE SECTIONS 5(A AND B), STANDARD OF TRAVEL, ELECTIONS TO BOARD OF AUDITORS, AND PROGRAM BUDGET SECTION 21. END SUMMARY.
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2. SECTION 8 (ECLA) - ACABQ CHAIRMAN MSELLE VIGOROUSLY DEFENDED RIGHT AND DUTY OF ACABQ TO ASK SECRETARIAT WHETHER COMPLICATED ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE NECESSITATED BY SUB-REGIONAL OFFICES IMPAIRS ABILITY OF ECLA TO CARRY OUT PROGRAMS. AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSION, COMMITTEE DECIDED TO APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS FOR ECLA AS PROPOSED BY ACABQ, ON UNDERSTANDING THAT SYG CAN COME BACK FOR SUPPLEMENTARY IN 1976 IF RECRUITMENT TURNS OUT TO BE MORE RAPID THAN NOW PROJECTED. FOR VOTE SEE SUMMARY ABOVE.

3. SECTION 10 (ECWA) - AFTER PARADE OF SPEKERS FROM REGION URGNING APPROVAL OF ORIGINAL SYG REQUEST, COMMITTEE APPROVED $8,861,600 FOR BIENNIUM 1976/77 ON UNDERSTANDING SYG WOULD REPORT TO 31ST GA ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ECWA'S PROGRAM; IF ADDITIONAL RESOURCES WERE REQUIRED, COMMITTEE WOULD CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

4. UNIDO AUTONOMY - SEPARATE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF PROGRAM AND BUDGET AND OF ADMINISTRATIVE AUTONOMY (A/C.5/1678) -- CHAIRMAN SAID DOCUMENT WAS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION ONLY; PREPARATIONS WERE BEING CONSIDERED FOR CONVERSION OF UNIDO INTO SPECIALIZED AGENCY, AND THAT COMMITTEE WILL DUSCUSS ITEM FULLY UNDER PROGRAM BUDGET SECTION 12 AS WELL AS IN REVISED ESTIMATES RESULTING FROM 2ND CONFERENCE OF UNIDO. BRIEF STATEMENTS WERE MADE BY REPS OF FRG, FRANCE, INDIA, PHILIPPINES, AND US (STOTTLEMYER). ALL SOUGHT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND FRG SUGGESTED ACABQ OPINION BE SUB-MITTED ALONG WITH REVISED ESTIMATES FOR UNIDO. STOTTLEMYER INQUIRED ABOUT INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS IN PARA 5 OF REPORT; ASKED ABOUT STATUS OF A/C.5/1616 ON WHICH NO ACTION WAS TAKEN LAST YEAR, AND RESULTS OF CONSULTATIONS; AGREED WITH FRG THAT MATTER SHOULD BE DISCUSSE OPENLY IN COMMITTEE, AND THAT INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS BE HANDLED IN SAME FASHION AS OTHER PARTS OF BUDGET. LATER HE PROPOSED THAT DISCUSSION BE DEFERRED UNTIL COMMITTEE TAKES UP REVISED ESTIMATES FOR UNIDO. CONTROLLER DEBATIN RESPONDED TO QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS; SAID SYG WILL SUBMIT REVISED ESTIMATES WHICH WILL REFLECT SUGGESTIONS MADE BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNIDO IN RESPONSE TO DECISIONS AT LIMA CONFERENCE. HE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEE. DEBATE ON MATTER WAS ADJOURNED UNDER RULE 116 OF RULES OF PROCEDURE.

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5. EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY BETWEEN ETAT DE GENEVE AND UN - (A/C.5/1674, A/10008/ADD.1) - CHAIRMAN OF ACABQ EXPLAINED REPORTS. STATEMENTS WERE MADE BY REPS OF ALGERIA ANDUK, TO WHICH ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF UN OFFICE/GENEVA, COIDAN, REPLIED. DEBATE WAS SUSPENDED UNTIL NEXT MEETING.

6. THERE WILL BE TWO MEETINGS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24. AGENDA WILL INCLUDE: (AM) SECTIONS 5(A) & (B), STANDARD OF TRAVEL,

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ELECTIONS TO BOARD OF AUDITORS; AND (PM) SECTION 21 IN CONJUNCTION
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